

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 676
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mattie Verlene Jones on the
occasion of her retirement from Brown
Elementary School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Mattie Verlene Jones is one such estimable educator; having distinguished herself as an exemplary classroom teacher over the course of her 27-year career, she will soon enter into a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mattie Verlene Jones truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones is an active and important part of her community and her profession, participating in numerous civic and educational organizations; and

WHEREAS, perhaps most renowned for her caring and devoted manner with her third-grade students at Brown Elementary School, Ms. Jones will be best remembered as a friend to her students and as a gifted educator; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mattie Verlene Jones has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and students alike; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Ms. Mattie Verlene Jones, commending her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, saluting her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.